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In re Application of:)
Kimikazu Kaneto et al.) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: 10/018,569) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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For: A Molding Machine and a Pattern)
Carrier Used Therefor)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 18, delete lines 22-32.

IN THE CLAIMS:

5. (Amended) An apparatus of claim 4, further comprising a subsidiary flask disposed above said flask members, wherein the end of said subsidiary flask can reach at least a point within said flask member.

REMARKS

Claim 5 has been amended to correct the dependency of the claim. Examination of claims 1-15 is requested.

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